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SUBJECT: KAZAKHSTAN: FOLLOW UP DEMARCHE ON ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORCE ADJUSTMENT IN IRAQ

REF: STATE 231047

[¶](#)1. (U) This cable contains an action request, para. 3.

[¶](#)2. (U) Poloff delivered reftel demarche on December 28 to Aidar Aitashev, First Secretary, MFA Department of Asia and Africa.

[¶](#)3. (SBU) Aitashev said that the GOK was interested in facilitating Kazakhstani companies' efforts to bid for development contacts related to Iraqi reconstruction. While Kazakhstan was not in a position to be a donor, the GOK hoped that Kazakhstani companies could assist in implementing development projects. ACTION REQUEST: Post requests information regarding how the GOK could facilitate Kazakhstani companies' bids for development contracts. END ACTION REQUEST

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